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U-2 RECONNAISSANCE MISSION C146C
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MISSION HIGHLIGHTS

Mission C146C, flown 3 August along the China coast

25X1 [redacted] was over Communist China for approximately one hour and obtained photographic coverage of 30 COMOR targets (see Table 2). The map opposite shows the mission

25X1 flight path. This mission was flown in response to [redacted] requirements against targets [redacted] 25X

Three fighters, one probably a MiG-21, were noted in reaction to the mission. Only one fighter, the MiG-21, attempted to intercept the U-2.

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BACKGROUND

1 Mission C146C successfully overflew the [redacted] China on 3 August 1966. 25X1 [redacted] Turning south, the aircraft paralleled the coastline to a point just south of Swatow, exiting the mainland at 0437Z. Landing at 0557Z, the aircraft was aloft for three hours and twenty-seven minutes and spent one hour and three minutes over denied territory. The pilot reported the weather over the route as CAT I (clear).

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ANALYTICAL FINDINGS

AIR DEFENSE REACTIONS

25X1 [redacted]

Fighter Reactions--At least three fighters in two

25X1 reactions [redacted] to the mission; The U-2 pilot reported observing two fighters, one which he identified as a possible MiG-21. The type of fighters and their staging area were not identified in available information. The closest approach to the mission by the first reaction was 6.5 nm. At this time the fighter was approximately 19,000 feet below the U-2. The second reaction approached to within 10 nm of the mission. Only

25X1 [redacted]

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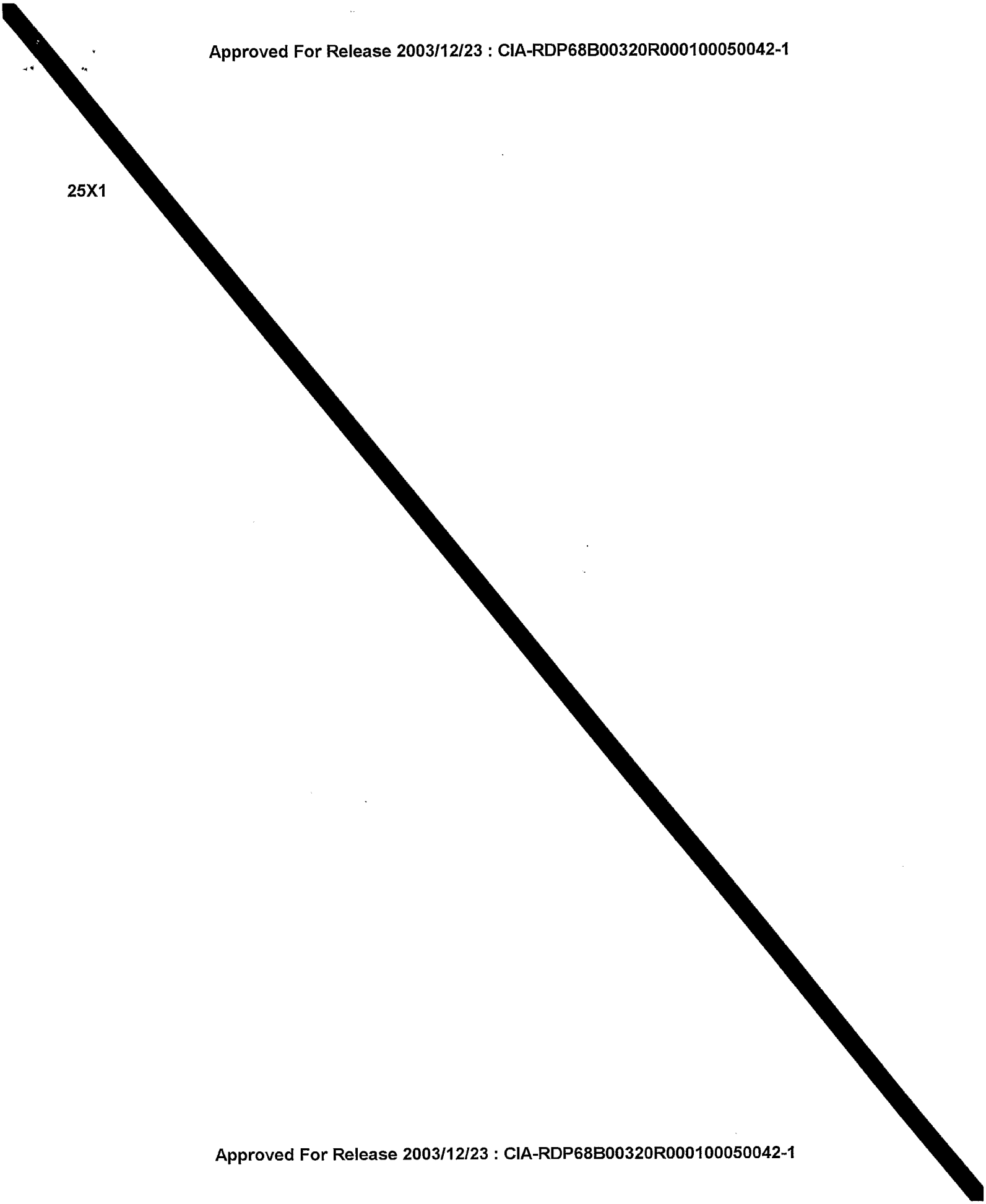

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Preliminary analysis of the mission shows that 73 targets, including 39 on the COMOR list, were photographed. These targets included 6 coastal defense sites, 7 radar sites, 7 airfields, 14 naval installations, 32 army installations, and 6 transient tactical targets. The COMOR targets are listed in Table 2.

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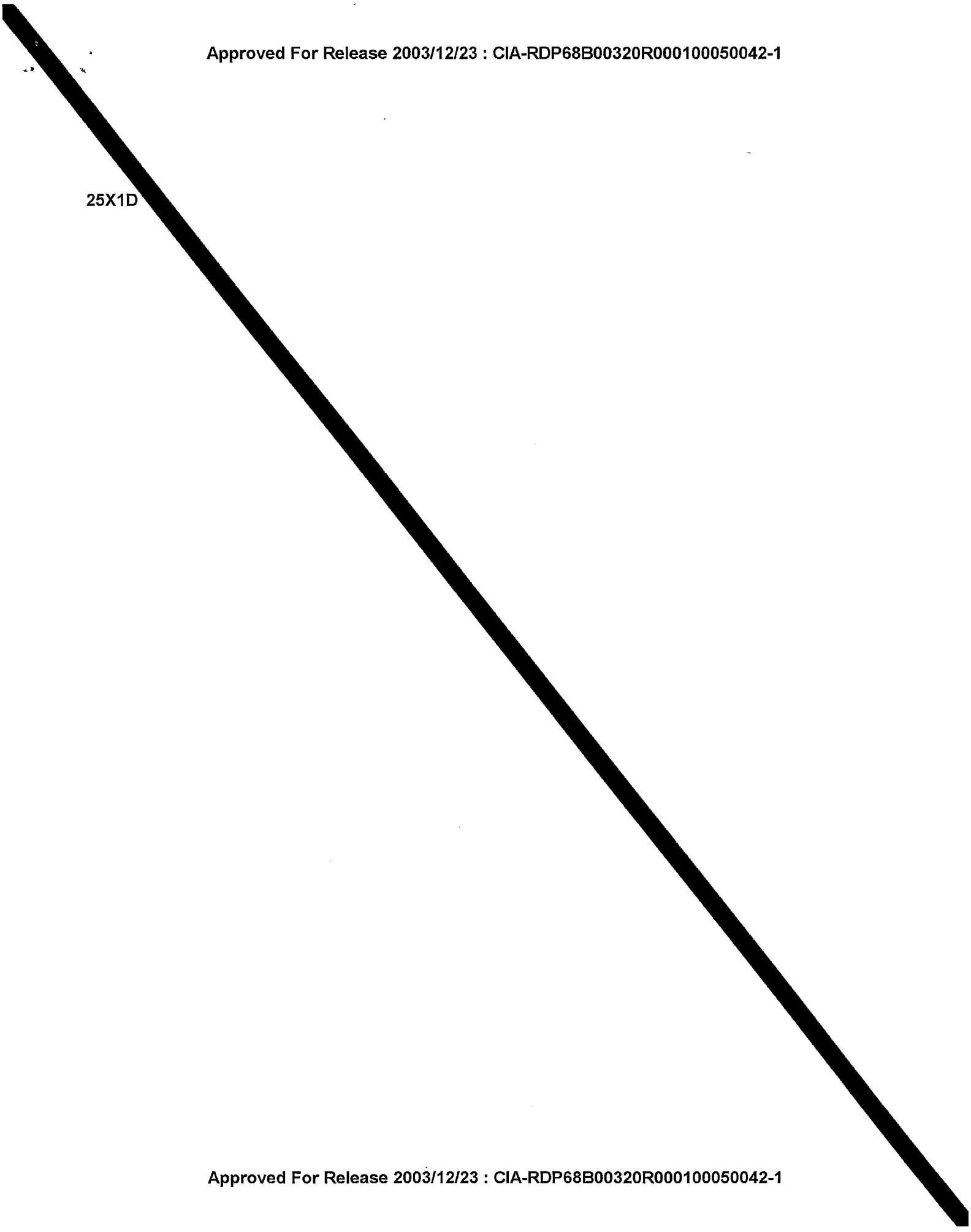

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TABLE 2

COMOR TARGETS COVERED BY MISSION C148C

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[redacted]

MA CHIANG Airfield
MAI MEN Naval Base
HSIA MEN Naval Base
HUNG YANG Army Barracks
FU TIEN Army Barracks
CHUAN CHOU Army Barracks
LUNG TIEN Airfield
LUNG CHI Airfield
LU CHIAO Airfield
CHING YANG Airfield
SHA CHENG Port Facilities
SHAN TOU Naval Base
MA WEI Naval Base
HUNG LAI Army Barracks
FU TING Army Barracks
HSIANG KOU Army Barracks
HAN CHIANG Army Barracks
CHANG CHOU Army Barracks
HSIEN YU Army Barracks
CHIN CHIANG Army Barracks
FU CHING Army Barracks

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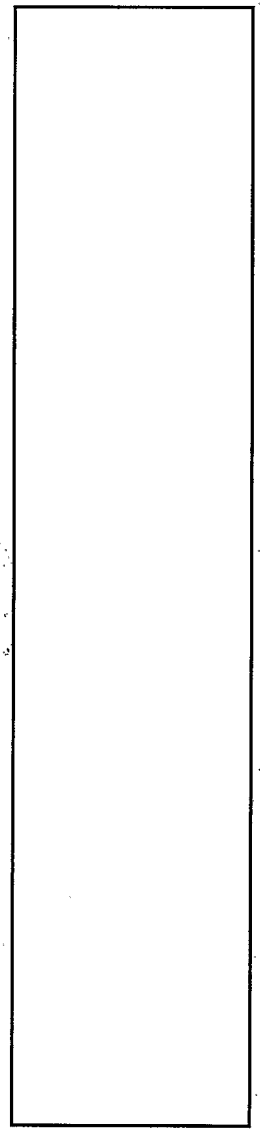

TA YU CHIEH Army Barracks

CHAO AN Barracks

KUNG WEI Army Barracks

LO CHI Army Barracks

LIEN CHIANG Army Barracks

AN HAI Army Barracks

TAN YANG Army Barracks

NAN AN Army Barracks

CHANG CHI Barracks

SHAN TOU Army Barracks

FU CHOU Army Barracks

TUNG HSU Army Barracks

TUNG AN Army Barracks

NAN TAI Storage Area

WEN CHOU Complex

SHAN TOU Complex

FU CHOU Complex

HSIA MEN Complex

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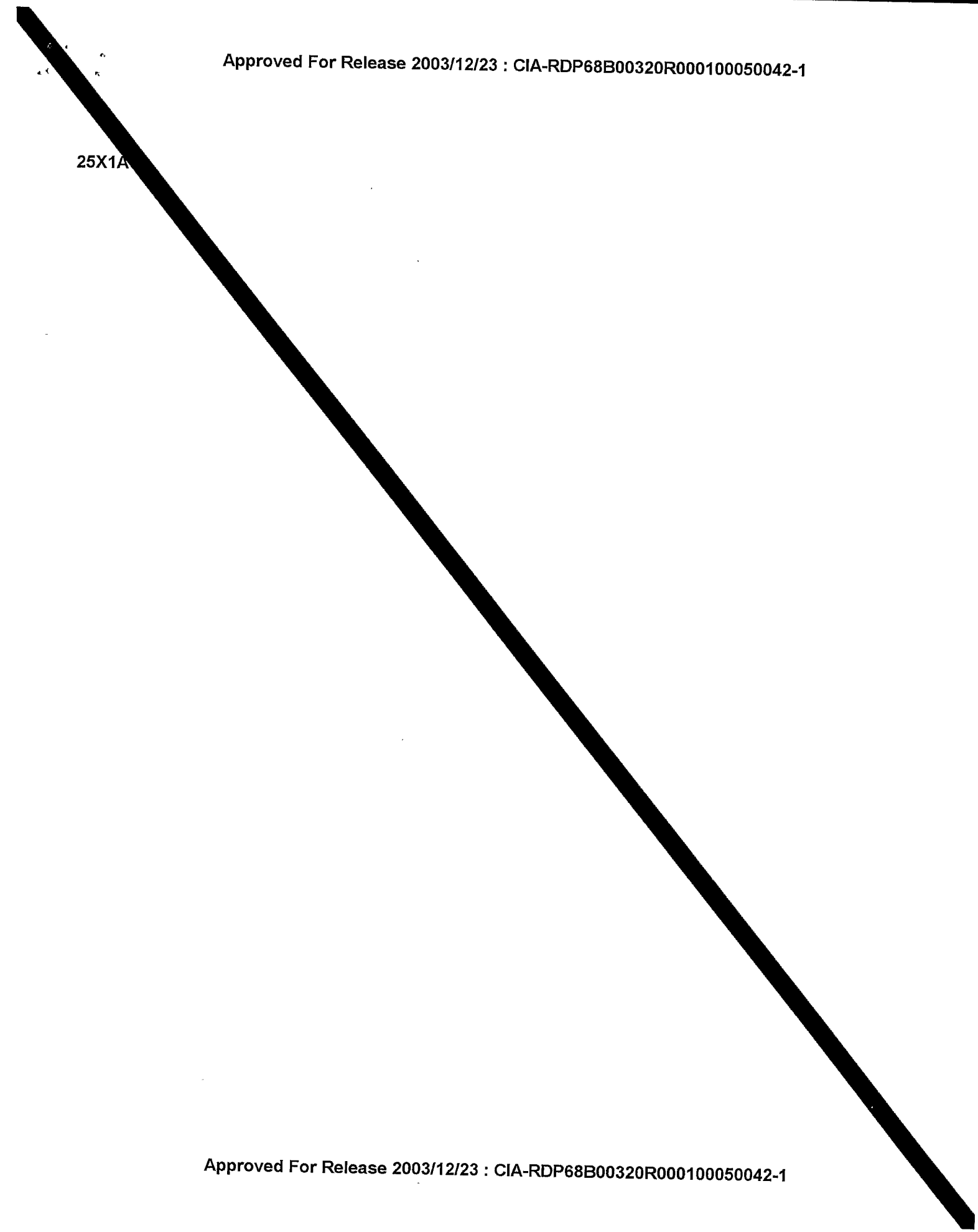

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